Vav proteins maintain epithelial traits in breast cancer cells using *miR-*200c-dependent and independent mechanisms

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FIGURE S1. Vav2 and Vav3 are required to maintain epithelial traits in breast cancer cells. Examples of the histology of tumors derived from the indicated xenografted 4T1 cells. Scale bar, 500 (top panels) and 100 (middle panels) μ m. The bottom panels show 300 x zooms of areas within the middle panels that were made with the software used for figure generation (Canvas Draw 2 for Mac, ACD Systems).

FIGURE S2. The Vav coding transcriptome and microRNAome are linked to EMT programs. (A) GSEA showing the overlap of the Vav-regulated 4T1 cell transcriptome with a previously described EMT-associated transcriptome present in MSigDB (see Materials and Methods). The normalized enrichment scores (NES) and false discovery rate values (FDR, using q values) are indicated inside each GSEA graph. Q-val, q value. (B-D) Heatmap showing epithelial state- (B), mesenchymal state- (C), and chemoresistance-associated (D) transcripts that are up- (red) and downregulated (blue) in indicated 4T1 cell lines (top). Triplicates for each cell line (columns) are shown. Relative changes in abundance are shown in color gradients according to the scale shown at the bottom. In C, genes are colored according to their role in chemoresistance regulation (bottom). (E) Response of 4T1 cell derivatives (inset) to the indicated concentrations of chemotherapy agents (bottom). Values represent the variation relative to untreated cells (which was given an arbitrary value of 100). ***, $P \le 0.001$ (n = 3). (F) Heatmap of the transcripts encoding EMT regulators that show statistically significant variations between control and two independent clones of KD_{2/3} cells. 32 additional EMT regulatory factors compiled in previous reviews^{11, 26} that show no statistically significant changes in these analyses are not shown. Changes in abundance are plotted as in B.

FIGURE S3. Characterization of the Vav-dependent microRNAome. (A-F) GSEA showing the percentage of the Vav2;Vav3-dependent coding transcriptome that contains target sequences for *miR-103* (A), *miR-107* (A), *miR-206* (B), *miR-200* family (C), *miR-24* (D), *miR-31* (E), and *miR-361* (F). The NES and FDR values are shown inside each graph as indicated in Fig. S2A. *miR-361* does no reach statistical significance in these analyses. The number of putative transcript targets for each microRNA is indicated in the top right of each panel. Other Vav-regulated microRNAs were not included due to lack of enough information about its target mRNA sequences. (G) Top panel, scheme of the similarities expected according to the mechanistic model proposed in this study. Bottom panels, GSEAs showing the similarities of the transcriptomal subsets indicated in top. The NES and FDR values are shown inside each graph as indicated in Fig. 3B. Red and blue values represent positive and negative correlation between the compared transcriptomes.

FIGURE S4. Vav and Nr2f1 proteins negatively regulate E-cadherin in human breast cancer cells. (A) Abundance of *VAV2* (left panel) and *VAV3* (right panel) mRNAs in control and T47D cell derivatives. *, $P \le 0.05$; **, $P \le 0.01$ (n = 3). (B) Abundance of *CDH1* (left) and *NR2F1* (right) transcripts in indicated T47D cells. *, $P \le 0.05$; **, $P \le 0.01$ (n = 3). (C) Abundance of indicated transcripts (bottom) upon the transient expression of Nr2f1 in indicated cell lines (top). **, $P \le 0.01$; ***, $P \le 0.001$ relative to the appropriate control (which was given an arbitrary value of 1) (n = 3). (D) Expression of indicated proteins (left) in control and two independently sets of T47D cells transiently transfected with Nr2f1. As loading control, we used the abundance of endogenous tubulin α (bottom panel) (n = 2).

FIGURE S5. Constitutively active Vav2 triggers MET in mesenchymal breast cancer cells using Ecadherin dependent and independent mechanisms. (A) Schematic representation of the metastatic defects exhibited by indicated breast cancer cells. Bars depict the metastatic stage in which those cell lines are proficient. (B) Representative examples of the morphology of indicated cell lines in 2D (left panels) and 3D (right panels) cultures. Scale bars, 50 μ m. (C) Abundance of *miR-200c* and indicated coding transcripts in 168 FARN (top), 67NR (middle) and 4TO7 (bottom) cells that were transduced with control (light blue) and Vav2^{V172F}-encoding (light red) lentiviral particles (inset). V₂(Y172F), Vav2^{Y172F}. Transcripts with an expected regulation according to the pathway dissected in 4T1 cells are highlighted in green font. Those that show an

unexpected pattern of expression are highlighted in blue font. *, $P \le 0.05$; **, $P \le 0.01$; ***, $P \le 0.001$ (n = 3). (**D**) Summary of the results shown obtained in panel C. The cell lines and transcripts are indicated at the top and the left, respectively. Upregulation and downregulation events are depicted as red and blue arrows, respectively. (**E**) Expression of indicated proteins and phospho-proteins (left) in control and Vav2^{Y172F}-expressing 168FARN cells. As loading control, we used the abundance of endogenous Akt (fourth panel from top) and tubulin α (bottom panel) (n = 2).

FIGURE S6. The Vav2-dependent anti-EMT and prometastatic program in human tumors. (A,B) Expression correlation matrix of indicated transcripts in human luminal (A) and basal (B) breast tumor samples from the GSE65194 microarray dataset. Values are plotted as in Fig. 7A.

TABLE S1. Cell lines used in this study (it continues in the next page)

Cell line	Features
Control	4T1 cells harboring the empty pLKO.1puro lentiviral vector
KD2	A clone (A) of <i>Vav2</i> -deficient 4T1 cells generated by transducing an shRNA-encoding lentivirus
KD3	A clone (A) of <i>Vav3</i> -deficient 4T1 cells generated by transducing an shRNA-encoding lentivirus
KD2/3 (A)	A clone (A) of double <i>Vav2;Vav3</i> -deficient 4T1 cells generated by transducing lentiviral particles each encoding shRNAs to mouse <i>Vav2</i> and <i>Vav3</i> transcripts
KD _{2/3 (B)}	A clone (B) of double <i>Vav2; Vav3</i> -deficient 4T1 cells generated by transducing lentiviral particles each encoding shRNAs to mouse <i>Vav2</i> and <i>Vav3</i> transcripts
KD _{2/3+ev}	$KD_{2/3 (A)}$ cells harboring an empty pLVX-IRES-Hyg lentiviral vector
KD _{2/3} +V ₂	KD _{2/3 (A)} cells in which an HA-tagged version of wild type Vav2 was re- expressed using lentiviral delivery methods
KD _{2/3} +V _{2(R373A)}	KD _{2/3 (A)} cells in which an HA-tagged, catalytically inactive version of Vav2 was re-expressed using lentiviral delivery methods
KD _{2/3} +V ₃	KD _{2/3 (A)} cells in which an Myc-tagged version of wild type Vav3 was re- expressed using lentiviral delivery methods
KD _{2/3} +V _{2/3}	KD _{2/3 (A)} cells in which the wild type versions of Vav2 (HA-tagged) and Vav3 (Myc-tagged) were re-expressed using lentiviral delivery methods
KD _{2/3} +200c	KD _{2/3 (A)} cells overexpressing miR-200c plus GFP (introduced using lentiviral delivery methods)
KD _{2/3} +Rac1 ^{Q61L}	KD _{2/3 (A)} cells in which a constitutively active version of Rac1 was stably expressed using lentiviral delivery methods

Cell line	Features
KD _{2/3} +Pak1 ^{T423E}	KD _{2/3 (A)} cells in which a constitutively active version of Pak1 was stably expressed using lentiviral delivery methods
KD _{2/3} +PI3K ^{CAAX}	$KD_{2/3 (A)}$ cells in which a constitutively active version of PI3K α (carrying the CAAX box of K-RAS) was stably expressed using lentiviral delivery methods
KD-Raptor	A pool of <i>Rptor</i> -deficient 4T1 cells generated by transducing an shRNA-encoding lentivirus
T47D-KD ₂	A pool of <i>VAV2</i> -deficient T47D cells generated by transducing an shRNA-encoding lentivirus
T47D-KD ₃	A pool of <i>VAV3</i> -deficient T47D cells generated by transducing an shRNA-encoding lentivirus
T47D-KD _{2/3}	A pool of <i>VAV2;VAV3</i> -deficient T47D cells generated by transducing an shRNA- encoding lentivirus encoding shRNAs to human <i>VAV2</i> and <i>VAV3</i> transcripts
KD-Itgb6	A clone (A) of integrin β 6-deficient 4T1 cells generated by transducing an shRNA-encoding lentivirus
KD-Itga8	A clone (A) of integrin α 8-deficient 4T1 cells generated by transducing a shRNA-encoding lentivirus
KD-Ilk	A clone (A) of Ilk-deficient 4T1 cells generated by transducing a shRNA-encoding lentivirus
KD-Tacstd2	A clone of Tacstd2-deficient 4T1 cells generated by transducing an shRNA-encoding lentivirus
KD-Inhba	A clone of Inhibin βA-deficient 4T1 cells generated by transducing an shRNA- encoding lentivirus
KD-Ptgs2	A clone of cyclo-oxigenase 2-deficient 4T1 cells generated by transducing an shRNA- encoding lentivirus

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67NR+V2	67NR cells in which the wild type version of Vav2 (HA-tagged) was overexpressed using lentiviral delivery methods
67NR+V _{2(Y172F)}	67NR cells in which a constitutively active version of Vav2 (HA-tagged) was overexpressed using lentiviral delivery methods
4OT7+V2	4OT7 cells in which the wild type version of Vav2 (HA-tagged) was overexpressed using lentiviral delivery methods
40T7+V _{2(Y172F)}	4OT7 cells in which a constitutively active version of Vav2 (HA-tagged) was overexpressed using lentiviral delivery methods
168FARN+V2	168FARN cells in which the wild type version of Vav2 (HA-tagged) was overexpressed using lentiviral delivery methods
168FARN+V _{2(Y172F)}	168FARN cells in which a constitutively active version of Vav2 (HA-tagged) was overexpressed using lentiviral delivery methods

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Probeset	Gene symbol	Gene description
10355984	Serpine2	Serine (or cysteine) peptidase inhibitor clade E member 2
10532085	Tgfbr3	Transforming growth factor β receptor III
10546450	Adamts9	A disintegrin-like and metallopeptidase with thrombospondin type 1 motif 9
10546432	Adamts9	A disintegrin-like and metallopeptidase with thrombospondin type 1 motif 9
10522503	Pdgfra	Platelet derived growth factor receptor, α polypeptide
10594800	Fam63b	Family with sequence similarity 63 member B
10422321	Dzip1	DAZ interacting protein 1
10546454	Adamts9	A disintegrin-like and metallopeptidase (reprolysin type) with thrombospondin type 1 motif 9
10435271	Hegl	HEG homolog 1
10606186	Slc16a2	Solute carrier family 16 member 2
10546434	Adamts9	A disintegrin-like and metallopeptidase with thrombospondin type 1 motif 9
10429160	St3gal1	ST3 β -galactoside α -2,3-sialyltransferase 1
10504424	Reck	Reversion-inducing-cysteine-rich protein with kazal motifs
10435266	Hegl	HEG homolog 1
10585982	Mvo9a	Myosin ixa
10397966	Otub2	OTU domain, ubiquitin aldehvde binding 2
10585970	Mvo9a	Myosin IXa
10585956	Mvo9a	Myosin IXa
10521759	Slit2	Slit homolog 2
10545974	Antxr1	Anthrax toxin receptor 1
10585988	Mvo9a	Mvosin IXa
10360764	Enah	Enabled homolog
10585972	Mvo9a	Myosin IXa
10398240	Eml1	Echinoderm microtubule associated protein like 1
10591816	Dpv1911	Dpy-19-like
10523297	Ccng2	Cyclin G2
10574166	Cpne2	Copine II
10585986	Myo9a	Myosin IXa
10457508	Npc1	Niemann Pick type C1
10403727	Gli3	GLI-Kruppel family member GLI3
10568785	Bnip3	BCL2/adenovirus E1B interacting protein 3
10585984	Myo9a	Myosin IXa
10585980	Myo9a	Myosin IXa
10585978	Myo9a	Myosin IXa
10585976	Mvo9a	Myosin IXa
10544885	Fkbp14	FK506 binding protein 14
10390574	Fbxl20	F-box and leucine-rich repeat protein 20
10446334	Glcci1	Glucocorticoid induced transcript 1
10439798	Dzip3	DAZ interacting protein 3
10506031	Nfia	Nuclear factor I/A
10585974	Myo9a	Myosin IXa
10478219	Plcg1	Phospholipase C-γ1
10586039	Tle3	Transducin-like enhancer of split 3
10426611	Cacnb3	Calcium channel, voltage-dependent β3 subunit

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Probeset	Gene symbol	Gene description
10542740	Sspn	Sarcospan
10376208	Gm2a	GM2 ganglioside activator protein
10370210	Col6a1	Collagen type VI al
10414269	Bnip3	BCL2/adenovirus E1B interacting protein 3
10356339	Pde6d	Phosphodiesterase 6D δ
10462281	Vldlr	Very low density lipoprotein receptor
10395103	Pxdn	Peroxidasin homolog
10376950	Pmp22	Peripheral myelin protein 22
10594802	Fam63b	Family with sequence similarity 63B
10487392	Kcnip3	Kv channel interacting protein 3
10585992	Myo9a	Myosin IXa
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10584941	Bacel	Beta-site APP cleaving enzyme 1
10524436	Usp30	Ubiquitin specific peptidase 30
10527101	Foxk1	Forkhead box K1
10546430	Adamts9	A disintegrin-like and metallopeptidase with thrombospondin type 1 motif 9
10483698	Wipf1	WAS/WASL interacting protein family, member 1
10420823	Hmbox1	Homeobox containing 1
10592734	Cbl	Casitas B-lineage lymphoma
10531796	Wdfy3	WD repeat and FYVE domain containing 3
10452613	Arhgap28	Rho GTPase activating protein 28
10537353	Ttc26	Tetratricopeptide repeat domain 26
10483865	Fkbp7	FK506 binding protein 7
10592719	Oaf	OAF homolog
10458843	Sema6a	Semaphorin 6A
10451613	Foxp4	Forkhead box P4
10516427	Ncdn	Neurochondrin
10593384	Dixdc1	DIX domain containing 1
10378988	Phf12	PHD finger protein 12
10542738	Rassf8	Ras association family member 8
10358816	Lamc1	Laminin y 1
10547597	Phc1	Polyhomeotic-like 1
10549361	Tm7sf3	Transmembrane 7 superfamily member 3
10440849	Synj1	Synaptojanin 1
10572786	Aplml	Adaptor-related protein complex AP-1 µ1
10535883	Katnal1	Katanin p60 subunit A-like 1
10426798	Smarcd1	SWI/SNF related, matrix associated, actin dependent regulator of chromatin D1
10390022	Rsad1	Radical S-adenosyl methionine domain containing 1
10575120	Sntb2	Syntrophin basic 2
10582874	Sp110	Sp110 nuclear body protein
10496387	Dnajb14	Dnaj (Hsp40) homolog B14
10380477	Ppp1r9b	Protein phosphatase 1 regulatory subunit 9B

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Probeset	Gene symbol	Gene description
10370510	Syde1	Synapse defective 1 Rho GTPase homolog 1
10586458	Csnk1g1	Casein kinase 1-y1
10376690	Llgl1	Lethal giant larvae homolog 1
10486595	Ttbk2	Tau tubulin kinase 2
10401637	Nek9	NIMA (never in mitosis gene α)-related expressed kinase 9
10436372	Dcbld2	Discoidin, CUB and LCCL domain containing 2
10375103	Fbxw11	F-box and WD-40 domain protein 11
10546452	Adamts9	A disintegrin-like and metallopeptidase with thrombospondin type 1 motif 9
10345715	Map4k4	Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase kinase 4
10400515	Sec23a	Sec23a
10495896	Camk2d	Calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase II δ
10468992	Frmd4a	FERM domain containing 4A
10361055	Vash2	Vasohibin 2
10444268	Tap2	Transporter 2 ATP-binding cassette sub-family B
10428857	Mtss1	Metastasis suppressor 1
10496324	Slc39a8	Solute carrier family 39 member 8
10353272	Stau2	Staufen homolog 2
10417095	Farp1	FERM, RhoGEF and pleckstrin domain protein 1
10469475	Mllt10	Myeloid/lymphoid or mixed-lineage leukemia 10
10505030	Fsd1l	Fibronectin type III and SPRY domain containing 1-like
10511446	Asph	Aspartate- β -hydroxylase
10569134	Deaf1	Deformed epidermal autoregulatory factor 1
10527012	Lfng	LFNG O-fucosylpeptide 3-β-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase
10425354	Mgat3	Mannoside acetylglucosaminyltransferase 3

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